

**Board of Supervisors Report**  
**February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
**Integrated Roadside Vegetation Management Department**  
*Last Report Given 11/16/2021*

- FY 2022 Winter Operations
  - Harvest-
    - Harvested seed from two seed nurseries using A/C pull behind combines. JD 4400 combine blew a head gasket the first day – repair ongoing.
    - Combine Run seed mix and selected individual species were sent off to get tested by Wisconsin Crop Improvement Association
    - 1591 bulk lbs. harvested from Grant Ridge @ 36% total pure seed
    - 769 bulk lbs. harvested from Star Grass @ 28% total pure seed
  - Seeding-
    - 35 open work orders currently-hydroseeder was broke down 11/23-2/2
  - Private lands-
    - Seeding equipment rentals -5 landowners, 74 acres of natives planted
    - Staff contract planted 5-acre planting in November
- DD Work (Winter of 2021)-
  - Burning Piles
    - Boone-Story #3
    - Grant # 13
    - Hardin-Story # 1
    - Hardin-Story # 3
  - New Albany # 68
    - Jensen Excavating is removing trees along a tile line this winter/spring
- FY 2022 Purchasing-
  - 2021 Chevrolet SRW 3500 is on back order (DOA early spring)
  - Flatbed has arrived at Truck Equipment Inc.
  - Fire Clothing and Weather Meter received in December
- Looking Ahead
  - Repairs and Maintenance
  - Hiring of seasonal employees
  - FY 2023 Budget-
    - UTV Trailer- LRTF
    - Pallet Forks- LRTF
    - Skid Steer Attachment-LRTF
    - Sell 1987 utility trailer
    - Small Frame Tractor
  - Iowa Weed Commissioners' Conference (March 2-4)
  - Staff Affiliations/Committees 2021/2022
    - President AFIRM- Joseph Kooiker
    - Secretary IWCA- Tyler Kelley
    - LRTF Grant Advisory Committee-Joseph Kooiker
    - 2022 REAP Congress Delegate- Tyler Kelley
  - Schmeal Project- 80 acres of prescribed fire and replant CRP spring 2022